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PERSONAL

Miss Annie Nallin, of Hawley, is the guest of the Misses Ruddy, of Penn avenue.

A marriage license was yesterday granted to Elmer E. Helm, of West Pittston, and Lizzie Naugle, of Pittston.

Mrs. Daniel Reilly, of this city, is entertaining at her home her sister, Mrs. William Dwyer, of Houtzdale, Pa.

Superintendent of Transportation J. H. Daly, of the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western railroad, is in New York city.

Rev. and Mrs. Robert F. Y. Pierce, of Millin Avenue, returned home yesterday from a pleasant visit with friends in Philadelphia.

Miss Lillian Gaffney, formerly of the International School of Correspondence, has gone to Pawtucket, R. I., where she has secured a position.

Manager of the Croston Clarke company Harry W. Storms, of this city, who has been visiting Scranton friends for the past few days, yesterday left for Philadelphia, where his company is playing a twelve weeks' engagement at the Park Avenue theater.

Dr. Charles W. Wunder, of Philadelphia, of the class of '98, University of Pennsylvania, arrived in the city yesterday and will now undertake his duties as assistant house surgeon at the Lackawanna hospital. His arrival increases the hospital staff to three resident surgeons.

Low Rate Excursion to New York.
Tuesday, March 27, agents of the Lackawanna railroad will sell special excursion tickets to New York at rate of one fare, plus \$1, for the round trip. Same will be good going only on the above date, and good for return to April 1, inclusive.

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STATE MERCANTILE TAX.
Merchants Advised to Pay It Only Under Protest.

Secretary Atherton, of the board of trade, received notification yesterday that the Philadelphia board has just passed a resolution recommending the merchants throughout the state to pay the state mercantile tax, lately authorized by the legislature, only under protest.

A number of prominent Philadelphia lawyers associated with the board have declared the law unconstitutional and an effort will be made to have an opinion from the supreme court on the matter.

If the law is unconstitutional all who have paid a tax under it may recover the same, providing they entered a protest when paying it.

ARRANGING FOR THE FAIR.
Will Be Held at Homes of Colonel Boies and T. H. Watkins.

A special meeting of committees was held at the home of Mrs. Henry Bellin, Jr., yesterday to discuss the proposed fair for the benefit of the Hahnemann hospital. It was decided to hold it four days: May 8, 9, 10 and 11, the first two at the residence of Colonel H. M. Boies and the succeeding days at the residence of T. H. Watkins.

No further arrangements were made at this time, but a meeting will be held on Friday next week at the home of Mrs. H. Watkins, when further plans will be made, and when all interested in the project are invited to be present. In the meantime, it was decided to solicit aid from friends and thus contribute to the success of the fair.

ALLEN KILLED HIMSELF.
His Brain Was Affected by the Heat During His Residence in Central America.

John J. Allen, a brother of Thomas Allen, of New street, committed suicide at 12.30 o'clock yesterday noon at his brother's home by shooting himself in the forehead. Allen came to the city last Friday from Central America, where he had been for the last four years.

He returned to Scranton to rest and to recuperate his health, which had been partially shattered by the extreme heat of the Central American climate. His brain was affected and there were times when he acted in a very odd manner, being subject to fits of despondency. He was an Englishman by birth and 35 years of age, and before living in Scranton was a resident, together with his brothers, Thomas and Michael, the latter of whom now lives in Carbonate, of Parsons. He was a machinist by trade.

Yesterday he had dinner, then lit his pipe and walked upstairs. One instant later the report of a revolver shot was heard and, on the family rushing upstairs, they found him lying on the floor dead, with the blood flowing from a large hole in his forehead.

Clasped in his right hand was the 44-calibre six-shooter with which he did the shooting, while in his left hand he still held fast his pipe.

The body was removed, as was also Coroner Roberts, Chief of Police Robinson and City Detective John Mohr visited the house and examined the body. No one was aware that he had a revolver in his possession and just where he procured it is unknown.

Coroner Roberts examined the body last night, in company with Dr. J. F. Saltry, and will hold an inquest later.

ARTIFICIAL JAW BROKE.
Emil H. Herberster, of South Scranton, Was Again Operated Upon.

Emil H. Herberster, of South Scranton, who had his lower jaw replaced by an artificial one recently at the University of Pennsylvania, and afterwards sustained a fracture of the new plate, returned home from Philadelphia last evening, where a second operation was performed on his jaw a few days ago.

Mr. Herberster was eating his supper one evening last week, when the wires in the silver plate, became disconnected, and he bit through it. He quickly returned to the hospital in Philadelphia, where the injury was repaired, and his eating apparatus is all right again.

The plates which the young man had had made were of a temporary nature, in order to allow the gum to harden, and when he becomes thoroughly familiar with the new ones, will return to Philadelphia and be subjected to another course of treatment.

NEW TELEPHONE COMPANY.
Will Be Known as the Newton, Ransom and Lake Winola.

It is announced that application to the governor will be made on April 9, by Attorney A. J. Colborn, for a charter for an intended corporation to be known as the Newton, Ransom and Lake Winola Telephone company.

The company will operate a telephone line within the counties of Lackawanna and Wyoming. Those who will apply for the charter are John Shook, D. C. Vobury, William Cross, Oscar Van Buskirk and W. H. Newman.

German Made Easy.
At Prof. Colby's free lectures in Guernsey hall, Friday and Saturday at 4.30 and 8 p. m., he will clearly explain his system for teaching a person to speak German in five weeks. He is now closing his second term in Wilkes-Barre, and the Wilkes-Barre Record yesterday morning said: "This is the closing week of Professor Colby's German class, the final session being tomorrow evening. He has had a large class and all have gone into the study with much enthusiasm. The progress has been astonishing in many cases, and all speak in the highest terms of the course. Experienced teachers who have been present as visitors express themselves as specially pleased with Professor Colby's methods, he devoting the effort to practical conversation instead of confining the learner with the details of grammar. His next class will be in Scranton, beginning on Monday next. When he returns to Wilkes-Barre again he will be sure of a cordial welcome."

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It may be that the Lexowing of city hall will not result in an indictment, but it can be relied upon that the grand jury will submit a report that will be read with more than passing interest.

Enough has already been disclosed to convince the jury that the reports so common about corruption in city legislation and the administration of city affairs are founded on facts, but as yet there is wanting the testimony that would warrant sending the guilty parties before a jury, and until that is secured it would be not only vain, but unfair and unjust, to cause a great scandal at a great expense, without effecting anything more than giving the transgressors a firmer belief that they can offend without fear of being offended.

Some things have developed which would warrant the jury in sending certain persons into court if the offense of which they are prima facie proven guilty was within the scope of the inquiry, but as the charge of Judge Edwards was formed in council, and three certain matters, the telephone ordinance, the electric light contract and the slot machines, they are not at liberty to inquire indiscriminately into transgressions of the law of all kinds and characters, but must confine themselves to these three particular subjects.

A councilman could confess to having burned a church and the jury would not be called upon to take cognizance of it.

ALLEGED COMBINATION.
What the jury is particularly striving to run down is the allegation that a cabal was formed in council for the sole purpose of extorting money from parties seeking privileges. One of the early witnesses made the disclosure of the existence of this leg-pulling combine and indicated to the jury where it might look for corroboration.

He said the members of the cabal had a regular organization with a full set of officers and held formal meetings whenever "there was anything doing." Its outside work was done by an executive committee, and among its achievements was to successfully secure a regular monthly stipend from a certain large corporation, which had occasion to frequently be in need of friends in council.

The jury has sifted the thing down so that it now rests with three or four witnesses yet to be examined to prove or disprove the story. Some of these witnesses are out of town, and it may be they will not be back in time to permit the jury to avail itself of their knowledge. If they can be secured they will have some explaining to do.

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SOME HARD QUESTIONS.
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Nearly every councilman was asked to give his reasons for voting for passing the telephone ordinance after having so often encompassed its defeat and why they had almost to a man voted to award the electric light contract to the higher bidder. They were also asked if they were not in the habit of chumming with lobbyists at certain hotels, and if it wasn't true that they had accepted money opposing the telephone ordinance at the outset and then again for favoring it. There were no admissions of any wrongdoing.

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A PARSONAGE WEDDING.
Edward S. Teel and Miss Abbie E. Lanning Married.

A quiet wedding occurred at the Penn Avenue Baptist church parsonage at 10 o'clock yesterday evening, when Rev. Robert F. Y. Pierce united Edward S. Teel and Miss Abbie E. Lanning, both of Mulberry street. The pretty ceremony was witnessed by a number of friends who had gathered at the parsonage.

The groomsmen was Samuel Teel, brother of the groom, and Miss Mabel E. Moyer was the bridesmaid. The couple will reside at 315 Mulberry street.

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Fannie Cease, Plymouth
Peter Michaels, Taylor
Sarah Davis, 107 North Main avenue

Court House News Notes.
In the divorce case of Emil A. Moody against Ida S. Moody, it was ordered that an alias subpoena issue.

T. F. Nelson, charged with forgery, was yesterday released from custody, to whom she was married Aug. 7, 1895.

In the case of August Vockroth against John P. Thomas, court yesterday granted a rule to strike off the defendant's appeal.

The time for taking testimony in the Rindow divorce case was, yesterday, fixed for April 2, at 11.30 o'clock a. m. in Judge Archibald's chambers.

Attorney D. J. Davis, master, in the case of A. F. Duffy against A. G. Gilmore, yesterday filed his report, together with a bill of costs for himself and \$150 for John Taylor, stenographer.

Taylor & Lewis yesterday filed a libel in divorce for Mrs. Sarah Hughes, who wants to be freed from her alleged cruel husband, Joseph Hughes, to whom she was married Aug. 7, 1895.

F. A. Peet was yesterday appointed guardian of the three minor children of the late Charles McIlhennax. Hattie C. Smith was made guardian of Marion A. Smith, minor child of the late John J. Smith. George W. Jenkins was guardian of John Bonora, minor child of the late George Bonora.

DR. BURNS EXAMINED.
When court opened yesterday morning the examination-in-chief of Dr. Reed Burns, of this city, was resumed. In his opinion the affliction from which Mr. Martin suffers is curable. He would not undertake to say how long it would take to effect a cure in such a case, because he had not sufficient experience in that particular line of cases to enable him to state accurately.

Prof. C. L. Dana, the celebrated New York specialist on nervous diseases, was the next witness examined. On direct examination he testified that he had examined Martin in Hotel Jermyn on March 14. He believed that he is suffering from traumatic hysterical neurosis, a purely functional disorder. He stated that this disorder could be cured in from six months to two years. He stated positively that there is no organic trouble with the brain or spinal cord in Mr. Martin's case.

Major Warren, in cross-examination, read from a medical book, written partly by Professor Dana some years ago. In this he stated that as a general rule in cases of traumatic hysterical neurosis, the patient is rarely the same man afterwards, especially if the complaint is the result of a severe nervous shock. Professor Dana admitted this to be true, but said that the quotation did not strictly apply to Martin's case. Major Warren wanted him to say whether or not medicine was an exact science, but the question was not allowed.

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The Afternoon Was Devoted to Arguing Law Points and with the Closing Addresses of ex-Attorney General H. W. Palmer for the Defense and Major Everett Warren for the Plaintiff—Dr. Charles L. Dana, the Eminent Specialist, Was on the Stand in the Morning.

When United States court opens this morning Judge Joseph Buffington will charge the jury in the case of Attorney John T. Martin against the Delaware and Hudson company and it will be given to the jury for consideration.

The closing evidence was offered at the morning session of court yesterday and in the afternoon law points were presented and argued and the closing arguments to the jury made by ex-Attorney General H. W. Palmer for the defendant company and Major Everett Warren for the plaintiff.

The court room was crowded to hear the closing addresses of these two lawyers of the legal profession of this part of the state. Palmer's address was a vast disappointment. He said little about his case, but devoted himself principally to coarse abuse of Attorney Nathan Vidaver, an infamous statement about one of the physicians and insinuations about the honesty of the others. He concluded with sneering allusions to the character of the practice that the plaintiff had before his injury.

Major Warren's address was of the class of excitement souly arranged character for which he is famed. In dignified but unmistakable language he rebuked what he termed "the importation from Wilkes-Barre" for his "gratuitous and unwarranted abuse of verbiage and everything connected with the plaintiff's case of the case."

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dent was unavoidable, the company admitted its liability. "The only question before you," he said, "is how much damages you will award the plaintiff. It is the duty of his attorneys to make his condition about as bad as possible to enlarge his damages and they have done this. We have no desire to minimize his injuries and we want you to give him just what he is entitled to and to make up your verdict according to the law and the evidence."

TESTIMONY OF PHYSICIANS.
He referred to the testimony of the physicians called by the defense, all of whom said that the disease from which Martin is suffering is curable. He reminded the jurors that their verdict was not to be based upon sympathy, but upon the evidence and the law bearing upon it.

Major Warren in his address spoke for about an hour and a half. He said they were not asking for a sympathy verdict, nor for an exaggerated verdict. They wanted justice, nothing more and nothing less. Mr. Warren said if the jurors were to ignore everything that had been offered upon the part of the plaintiff and base their verdict solely on the defendant's side of the case they would have to say that this man is now a physical wreck as a result of this accident; that he must be isolated from his family; that he must go to a sanitarium for from one month to two years and that after doing this he may recover, but that complete recovery is very rare.

"If you believe our statement of the case," he continued, "this man has only two things before him in life, the mad house or the grave." As to the amount of the verdict, Mr. Warren said that, considering the estimated earning capacity of Martin at the time of the accident it could not be less than \$50,000, and even then that they would have to take it for granted that Martin would not advance in his profession, which would be a wholly unwarranted view of the case to take. It was 5 o'clock when Mr. Warren concluded and court adjourned until 1 o'clock this afternoon.

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